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Junior Rangers Descend on Lava Beds

TULELAKE, California— On Saturday July 26 Lava Beds National Monument gained 56 new junior rangers, who earned their patches and badges, by participating in Junior Ranger Day. This annual program strives to connect children and their families to national parks so they may become stewards of these lands and stories for future generations. Local, regional, and international visitors attend the annual event, which was filled with activities, hosted by rangers and volunteers, for families to have fun and learn.

According to Leah Taylor, 5 “It was super fun. I liked the ducks and painting. The erupting volcanoes were interesting”.

Lava Beds National Monument staff work to connect the public with the two national monuments in the basin, Lava Beds and the Tule Lake Unit of WWII Valor in the Pacific, through engaging activities and special events such as Junior Ranger Day. Astronomy Day, coming at the end of August, was previewd as 230 visitors stopped by the sunviewing station. To learn more about this event and future special events please call the monument’s visitor center at 530-667-8113.

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Lava Beds National Monument, established in 1925, is a land of turmoil, both geologic and historic. Over the last half-million years, volcanic eruptions have created a rugged landscape dotted with diverse volcanic features. Lava tube caves, Native American sites, historic battlefields and a high desert wilderness experience await you!

For more information about visiting Lava Beds National Monument, call 530-667-8113, email labe_interpretation@nps.gov, or go to www.nps.gov/labe. Also, visit the park's Facebook and Twitter pages.

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